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Two rhinos shot and poached in Dordabis

Staff Reporter

THE Namibian Police have arrested two men, aged 47 and 27, who allegedly shot and killed two black rhinos (a cow and a calf) on a farm in the Dordabis area, Khomas Region.

According to Chief Inspector Elifas Kuwinga, spokesperson of the Namibian Police, the incident happened on Thursday, 16 March 2023, at about 09:00. It is alleged that the two suspects shot and killed two rhinos and were also found with a 375-calibre firearm, with 13 live cartridges and three spent cartridges. The rhinos are worth N\$500 000 each.

Two rhino horns were also found at the scene.

The suspects contravened the Nature Conservation Ordinance (4 of 1975) as amended in Act 3 of 2017 for hunting of special protected game. They are accordingly charged with the contravention of section 4(1)(a) of the Controlled Wildlife Product and Trade Act 6 of 2017 for possession of controlled wildlife products, contravention of section 2 of the Arms and Ammunition Act 7 of 1996 for possession of unlicensed firearms and ammunition, contravention of section 18 of the Riotous Assembly Act 17 for conspiring to commit an offence of protected game and contravention of section 4, 5 and 6 of the Prevention of Organized Crime Act 29 of 2004.

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